MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM

NR Eligible: yes

Property Name: Cazier-Simcoe House Inventory Number: CE-1526 Address: Wallace Ave. between S. Main St. & Mauldin Ave. City: North East Zip Code: _21901 USGS Topographic Map: North East, MD County: Cecil Owner: George W. & Paula F. Lutz Is the property being evaluated a district? yes Tax Parcel Number: 331 & 510 Tax Map Number: 400 Tax Account ID Number: 05004772 & 05004691 Project: MD 272 from US 40 to Irishtown Road, North East Str Agency: SHA Site visit by MHT staff: X no yes Name: Date: Is the property is located within a historic district? X yes _____ no If the property is within a district District Inventory Number: CE-1525 NR-listed district yes Eligible district X yes Name of District: North East Historic District Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource X yes ___ no Non-contributing but eligible in another context ves If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district) Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible yes no Criteria: X A B X C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo) The Cazier-Simcoe House is a contributing resource of the North East Historic District (CE-1525). It is locally celebrated as being one of the oldest extant residences in North East with a log core that dates to the American Revolution. The original portion of the house is a three-bay, side hall dwelling. A later four-bay addition, located on the southern end, was built in the same style giving the structure a uniform appearance with clapboard siding, six-over-six and eight-over-eight windows, original paneled shutters, and a full-width front porch. Three gabled dormers punctuate the façade and three small additions occupy the rear. The house's large size, unusual form, and orientation on its lot are suggestive of its distinctive history. The Cazier-Simcoe House is recommended eligible under National Register Criteria A and C. The residence is an excellent example of a Colonial-era dwelling that has been adapted over two centuries to illustrate the wealth and domestic needs of its occupants. Its vernacular style is representative of log construction of the period, which flourished in the early development of coastal Maryland. The history of this structure is also important. Its Revolutionary War-era construction makes it one of the earliest remaining residences in the borough. Ownership by Captain Thomas Cazier, officer in the state militia, and William Simcoe, Maryland statesman and local merchant, link the residence to two of the most prominent early families in North East. The building's age and ownership history make it one of the borough's most important residential structures. Prepared by: Wendy Zug-Gilbert Date Prepared: 09/27/2002 MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW Eligibility not recommended Eligibility recommended Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None **MHT Comments** Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date

Date

Reviewer, NR Program

CECIL COUNTY HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

SURVEY NO .:

CE-1526

NAME:

Cazier-Simcoe House

LOCATION:

Wallace Avenue between Main St. and Mauldin Ave., North East, MD

DATE:

circa 1776

ACCESS:

Private

DESCRIPTION:

The Cazier-Simcoe House is located within NR-eligible North East Historic District (CE-1525) of which it is a contributing member. Its architecture and history make it individually eligible as well. The Cazier-Simcoe House is a late eighteenth-century, seven-bay residence that was converted into apartments in the early part of the twentieth century. The property is located on the east side of S. Main Street in the block bounded by Main Street, Wallace Avenue, Mauldin Avenue, and West Avenue. Originally set on a seven-acre parcel, the dwelling now sits at an angle on a much smaller lot.

The Cazier-Simcoe House is locally celebrated as being one of the oldest extant residences in Chesapeake Bay town of North East with a log core that dates to the American Revolution. The original portion of the house is a three-bay, side hall dwelling. A later four-bay addition, located on the southern end, was built in the same style giving the structure a uniform appearance with clapboard siding, six-over-six and eight-over-eight windows, original paneled shutters, and a full-width front porch. Three gabled dormers were added in the early twentieth century. Smaller nineteenth-century additions on either end are clad in aluminum siding. The house's large size, unusual form, and orientation on its lot set it off from other properties in the area, suggestive of its distinctive history.

SIGNIFICANCE:

The Cazier-Simcoe House should be considered to be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under Criteria A and C. From an architectural standpoint, the residence is an excellent example of a Colonial-era dwelling that has been adapted over two centuries to illustrate the wealth and domestic needs of its occupants. Its vernacular style is representative of log construction of the period, which flourished in the early development of coastal Maryland. Additionally, the history of this structure is locally significant. Its construction during the American Revolution makes the Cazier-Simcoe House one of the earliest remaining residences in the borough. Ownership by Captain Thomas Cazier, officer in the state militia, and William Simcoe, early nineteenth-century Maryland statesman and successful local merchant, link the residence to two of the most prominent early families in North East. The building's large scale, age, and ownership history make it one of the North East's most important residential structures.

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1. Name of F	Property	(indicate preferred	name)		41			=
historic	Cazier-Simco	e House						
other								
2. Location								
street and number	Wallace Aver	nue between South Main Stre	et and M	auldin Ave	enue	n/a not fo	or publica	ation
_city, town	North East					X vicini	ity	
county	Cecil							
3. Owner of	Property	(give names and mailing	address	es of all ov	wners)			
name	George W. &	Paula F. Lutz, III						
street and number	710 South Ma	in Street			telephone	n/a		
city, town	North East		state	MD	zip code	21901	Ĺ	
4. Location	of Legal D	escription) (121-211-1711))
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7. Description

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Condition

excellent	deteriorated	
X good	ruins	
fair	altered	

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Cazier-Simcoe House is located within the North East Historic District (CE-1525) of which it is a contributing member. The house sits on the east side of Main Street (MD Route 272) in the block bounded by Main Street, Wallace Avenue, Mauldin Avenue, and West Avenue. Locally celebrated as one of the oldest extant residences in the bayside borough of North East, it has a log core that dates to the American Revolution. Subsequent additions have increased the size of the original house, which was converted to apartments in the first half of the twentieth century. Much of the property, which historically encompassed seven (7) acres, has been parceled off for lots that front on both Main Street and Mauldin Avenue. The house's large size, unusual form, and orientation on its lot set it off from other properties in the area, suggestive of it distinctive history.

The Cazier-Simcoe House is located in the heart of North East's current downtown commercial district. Originally situated on a seven-acre parcel, the house's lot has been downsized over the years. In the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, lots were parceled off the east and west sides of this tract for businesses and residences that front on Main Street and Second Street (current Mauldin Avenue). Currently, the Cazier-Simcoe House sits on a parcel facing Main Street, although its entrance is from Wallace Avenue and a row of later buildings line Main Street in front of the dwelling. The house is skewed on its present lot.

Constructed during the Revolutionary War, the Cazier-Simcoe House is a long, two-and-a-half-story, side-gable, vernacular structure with nineteenth-century additions off each gable end. The original portion of the building is a three-bay, side-hall dwelling of log construction. To the southern end of this initial structure, a later four-bay frame addition was added. The two portions of the building are visually identical giving the appearance of a unified structure, but spacing differences in fenestration reveal its construction history. The current appearance of the structure is of a seven-bay, double-pile dwelling with wooden clapboard siding, an asphalt shingle roof, and a stone foundation. A full-width porch with simple square posts and metal roof is located on the façade. Four doorways on the façade provide entrance to apartments that have been in existence since the early twentieth century. Historic wooden storm doors with divided light and multi-paned transoms accent the doorways. Also during this period, three gable dormers with six-over-six sash were added to the façade. Windows elsewhere on the dwelling are a combination of eight-over-eight (on the first story of the initial dwelling) and six-over-six (everywhere else) original wooden sash. Original wood panel (first story) and louvered (second story) shutters are located on the façade. The rear of the structure has a one-story full-width porch with some enclosed sections.

Nineteenth-century additions are located off each gable end of the dwelling. These frame additions are slightly shorter in height, covered with aluminum siding, and have asphalt shingle roofs. Windows are six-over-six sash. The southern addition has a one-story tripartite bay window and a rear shed-roof addition. The northern addition has wooden decks, sliding glass doors, and a rear shed-roof addition.

8. Signification	ance			Inventory No. CE-1526
Period	Areas of Significance	Check and ju	ustify below	
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Specific dates	n/a		Architect/Builder unk	nown
Construction da	tes 1776-1816 (initial c	onstruction); early twe	ntieth century (additions and i	mprovements)
Evaluation for:				
X	National Register	M	aryland Register	not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

The Cazier-Simcoe House should be considered to be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under Criteria A and C. From an architectural standpoint, the residence is an excellent example of a Colonial-era dwelling that has been adapted over two centuries to illustrate the wealth and domestic needs of its occupants. Its vernacular style is representative of log construction of the period, which flourished in the early development of coastal Maryland. Additionally, the history of this structure is locally significant. Its construction during the American Revolution makes the Cazier-Simcoe House one of the earliest remaining residences in the borough. Ownership by Captain Thomas Cazier, officer in the state militia, and William Simcoe, early nineteenth-century Maryland statesman and successful local merchant, link the residence to two of the most prominent early families in North East. The building's large scale, age, and ownership history make it one of the North East's most important residential structures.

Because of its coastal location along the North East River (Chesapeake Bay), settlement of North East began in the early eighteenth century. The village's first structure was a gristmill built in 1711 (Johnston 1989:231). In 1716, a second gristmill was constructed on the North East River. By 1715, the Principio Iron Furnace was established just northwest of the village (Webb 1971:6). The furnace's proximity to the developing coastal village transformed it into an important shipping outlet for iron and iron products. Later that century, the furnace was an important manufacturer of cannon and supplies for the American patriots during the Revolutionary War. By 1735, an early bloomery above North East Creek was converted into a forge for the Principio Iron Company (Johnston 1989:231). The forge, coupled with the erection of Saint Mary Anne's Church in 1742 along the main road south to Turkey Point, created permanent nuclei that attracted settlement.

During the early eighteenth century North East was not only the location of the closest port and church, but was also located along the main transportation route south to the Elk Ferry landing on the way to the county seat at Court House Point on the Elk River (Highways-Bridges Scrapbook nd). The Post Road (current Cecil Avenue), an eighteenth-century postal route between Port Deposit on the Susquehanna River and Elkton on the tip of the Elk River passed through North East. In addition to being an important destination for local travel, North East was also a stopover along a major route from Philadelphia to Baltimore.

North East experienced the beginning of substantial settlement during the latter half of the eighteenth century. At this time, several land warrants were granted for tracts within the immediate area. Hukill's Purchase was one of these early grants. Obtained by John Moffit from the Eastern Land Office prior to the Revolutionary War, several portions of the warrant, including the acreage with the Cazier-Simcoe House, eventually came into the ownership of Captain Thomas Cazier. Cazier served as an officer in the state militia and defended Baltimore during the War of 1812 (Chapman Publishing Co. 1897:578). Local tradition states that Cazier taught school in a portion of the dwelling, which at that time most likely consisted only of the three-bay northern section. In 1839, Cazier sold the house to his daughter Rebecca and her husband William Simcoe for \$1250 (Cecil County Land Record Book JS43:348). Simcoe was a prominent citizen who in 1840 began serving in the state legislature (Chapman Publishing Co. 1897: 383). It was presumably during the Simcoes' ownership that the structure was expanded to seven bays to house their large family of 13 children. When William Simcoe died in 1854 the "Mansion House" was left to his three heirs: George Simcoe, John S. Simcoe, and Louisa J. (Simcoe) Manley. John and Louisa sold their shares to brother George following the Civil War (WHR7:750; JAD13:134). George was also a

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prominent citizen who farmed the Mansion House property in addition to running a successful local lumber business. The Simcoe family retained ownership of the property until 1923 when it was sold to Jacob Sadowsky (HWL10:124). Sadowsky added the dormers, dividing the residence into rental units and office spaces (North East Water Festival Committee 1979:23; Sanborn Map Company 1933). During Sadowsky's ownership, Wallace Avenue was cut through the property connecting Main Street with Mauldin Avenue (North East Water Festival Committee 1979:22). In 2001, the North East Historic District was determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The Cazier-Simcoe House, which is currently rented out as apartments, is located within the boundaries for the historic district.

Chain-of-Title	for the Cazier	r-Simcoe House
Liber:Folio	Date	Grantor/Grantee
NDS 186:182		George W. & Paula F. Lutz, III from B. Patrick Doordan and George W. & Paula F. Lutz, III. 2 parcels on the northeast corner of South Main Street and Wallace Avenue.
NDS 109:375	11-1-1983	B. Patrick Doordan and George W. Lutz, III from Estate of Jacob Sadowsky (by Wallace Sadowsky, Samuel Sadowsky, Ann S. Berkman, and Esther Pilnick). 2 parcels of above.
WAS 87:157	1-27-1960	Wallace H. Sadowsky, Samuel Sadowsky, Anna S. Berkman & Esther S. Pilnick from Straw Man, Inc. (Estate of Jacob Sadowsky). 2 parcels of above: 1) Mansion House property of 7 2/10 acres with exceptions; and 2) 3 lots on north side of Wilson Street for \$5.
Will V29:323		Will of Jacob Sadowsky. Sadowsky died 11-4-1947 leaving property to wife Fannie and their four children. Fannie died 7-2-1956 (Will Y31:372).
HWL 10:124	5-16-1923	Jacob Sadowsky from Estate of George Simcoe (by heirs). 7 2/10 acres with Mansion House for \$5000, excepting lot on northwest corner.
Will		Will of George Simcoe. Simcoe left property to heirs: Benjamin P. Simcoe, Louisa Gillespie, and George Simcoe.
JAD 13:134	9-4-1886	George Simcoe from John S. & Mary Simcoe. share of lot of above with house for \$2500.
WHR 7:750	10-30-1865	George Simco from Louisa & Nicholas Manley. share of lot of above with house.
Will 13:227		Will of William Simcoe. Simcoe died 6-1-1854 leaving property to 3 heirs: George Simcoe, John S. Simcoe, Louisa J. Manley. Property consisted of " the farm in or near North East and part of the Mansion House with 50 acres of wood lots attached."
JS 43:348	3-27-1839	William Simcoe from Thomas C. & Maria Louisa Cazier. 7 2/10 acres with house from original warrant called "Hukill's Purchase" for \$1250.

Cazier most likely received the property from William Howell, who received it from John Moffitt, the grantee of a Special Warrant of Escheat for part of Hukill's Purchase (unknown date).

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property
Acreage of historical setting
Quadrangle name

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Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Beginning at the northwest corner of the intersection of South Main Street and Wallace Avenue (being the lot's southwest corner), running northwest along the east side of South Main Street for approximately 115 feet to a point; then proceeding northeast for approximately 155 feet to a point; then proceeding southeast for approximately 115 feet to a point on the north side of Wallace Avenue; then proceeding southwest along the north side of said avenue for approximately 175 feet to the intersection of South Main Street and Wallace Avenue, which is the point of beginning. Containing an area of approximately 0.4 acre.

The boundary description was drawn to include the entirety of Tax Parcels 331 and 510 on Cecil County Tax Map 400. The boundary was drawn to encompass the lot and house associated with this property.

1. Form Prepared by				
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organization	Archeaological & Historical Consultants, Inc.	date	November 2000	
street & number	101 N. Pennsylvania Ave., PO Box 482	telephone	(814) 364-2135	
city or town	Centre Hall	state	PA	

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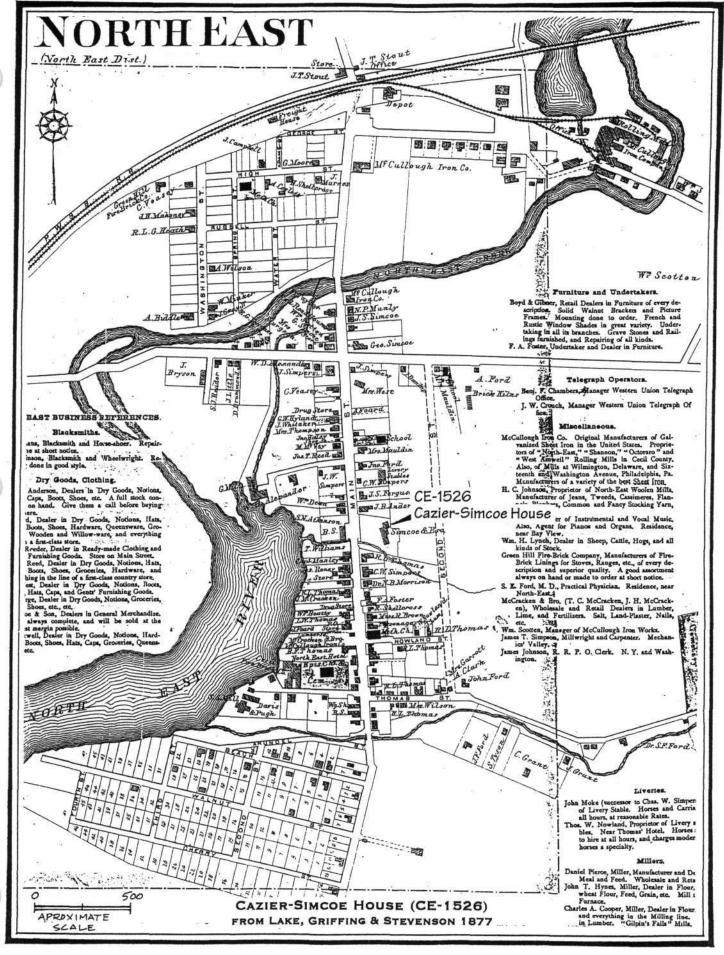
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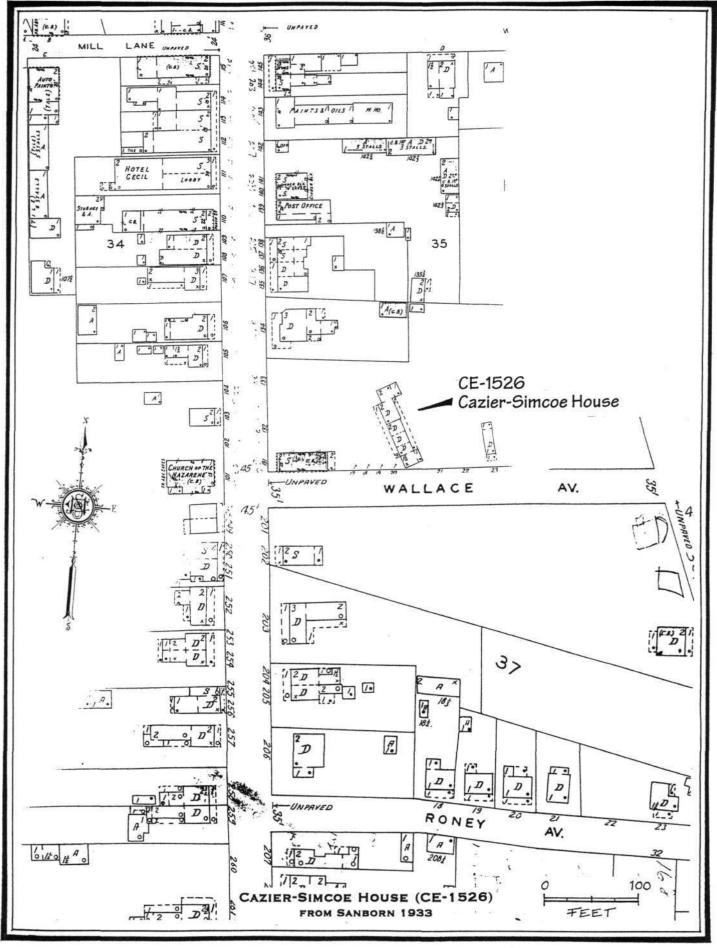
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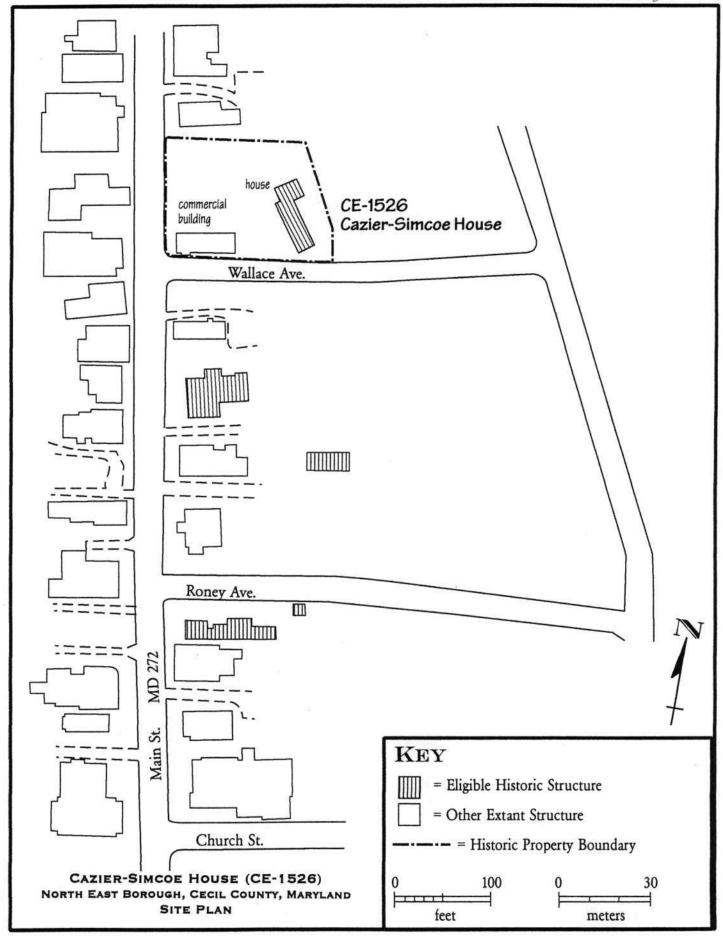
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Webb, Bernice

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PRESERVATION VISION 2000: THE MARYLAND PLAN STATEWIDE HISTORIC CONTEXTS

1. GEOGRAPHIC REGION:

EASTERN SHORE (ALL EASTERN SHORE COUNTIES AND CECIL) WESTERN SHORE (ANNE ARUNDEL, CALVERT, CHARLES, PRINCE GEORGE'S, ST. MARY'S) PIEDMONT (BALTIMORE CITY, BALTIMORE, CARROLL, FREDERICK, HARFORD,, HOWARD, MONTGOMERY) WESTERN MARYLAND (ALLEGANY, GARRETT, WASHINGTON)

11. CHRONOLOGICAL/DEVELOPMENTAL PERIODS:

X RURAL AGRARIAN INTENSIFICATION (A.D. 1680-1815) AGRICULTURAL-INDUSTRIAL TRANSITION (A.D. 1815-1870) INDUSTRIAL/URBAN DOMINANCE (A.D. 1870-1930) MODERN PERIOD (A.D. 1930-PRESENT) UNKNOWN PERIOD (PREHISTORIC;

HISTORIC)

III. HISTORIC PERIOD THEMES:

- AGRICULTURE
- ARCHITECTURE, LANDSCAPE, ARCHITECTURE, AND COMMUNITY PLANNING ECONOMIC (COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL) GOVERNMENT/LAW MILITARY RELIGION SOCIAL/EDUCATIONAL/CULTURAL TRANSPORTATION

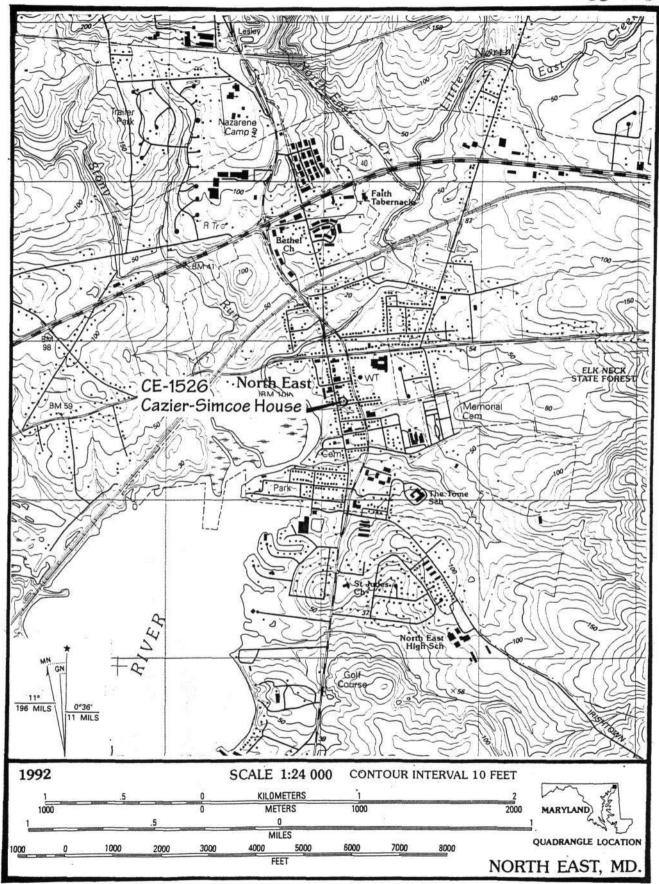
IV. RESOURCE TYPE:

CATEGORY: building

bayside village HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT:

HISTORIC FUNCTION(S) AND USE(S): domestic (multi-family dwelling)

KNOWN DESIGN SOURCE:



CAZIER-SIMCOE HOUSE (CE-1526)
NORTH EAST BOROUGH, CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND



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